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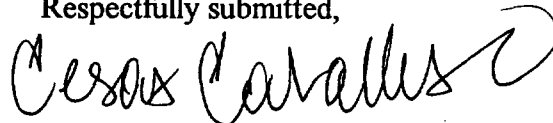
Re: Interstate Access Universal Service Support Certification, CC Docket 96-45

Dear Ms. Salas:

Pursuant to the requirements set forth in Section 54.809 of the Commission's Rules, this is to certify on behalf of Aliant Communications Co. that all interstate access universal service support provided to it will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

In this regard, it should also be noted that a companion certification letter has been sent to the Administrator of the interstate access universal service support fund.

Respectfully submitted,



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**Re: Self-Certification of ALLTEL Arkansas, Inc. as a Rural Telephone Company**

Dear Ms. Todd:

This is to notify the Commission that ALLTEL Arkansas, Inc., is a "Rural Telephone Company" under the terms and definition contained in the Communications Act, as amended [47 U.S.C. § 153(37)], as indicated below. This self-certification of rural telephone company status is in response to the directives set forth in the Commission's May 8, 1997, Report and Order, CC Docket 96-45, and the Commission's Tenth Report and Order FCC 99-304 released November 2, 1999.

Specifically, ALLTEL Arkansas, Inc. meets the following checked criteria:

- ☐ provides common carrier service to any local exchange carrier study area that does not include either –
  - (i) any incorporated place of 10,000 inhabitants or more, or any part thereof, based on the most recently available population statistics of the Bureau of the Census; or
  - (ii) any territory, incorporated or unincorporated, included in an urbanized area, as defined by the Bureau of the Census as of August 10, 1993;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service, including exchange access, to fewer than 50,000 access lines;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service to any local exchange carrier study area with fewer than 100,000 access lines; or
- ☒ has less than 15% of its access lines in communities of more than 50,000 on the date of enactment of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Feb. 8, 1996).

ALLTEL Arkansas, Inc. serves 110,045 access lines as of December 31, 2000 in its study area. As of February 8, 1996, ALLTEL Arkansas, Inc. has no access lines in communities of more than 50,000.

ALLTEL Arkansas, Inc. has applied for certification as a Rural Telephone Company for purposes of universal service funding to the Arkansas Public Service Commission..

I, Cesar Caballero, hereby certify that the above representations are known to me to be true and correct as of the date of this filing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cesar Caballero", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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**Re: Self-Certification of ALLTEL Carolina, Inc. as a Rural Telephone Company**

Dear Ms. Todd:

This is to notify the Commission that ALLTEL Carolina, Inc., is a "Rural Telephone Company" under the terms and definition contained in the Communications Act, as amended [47 U.S.C. § 153(37)], as indicated below. This self-certification of rural telephone company status is in response to the directives set forth in the Commission's May 8, 1997, Report and Order, CC Docket 96-45, and the Commission's Tenth Report and Order FCC 99-304 released November 2, 1999.

Specifically, ALLTEL Carolina, Inc. meets the following checked criteria:

- ☐ provides common carrier service to any local exchange carrier study area that does not include either –
  - (i) any incorporated place of 10,000 inhabitants or more, or any part thereof, based on the most recently available population statistics of the Bureau of the Census; or
  - (ii) any territory, incorporated or unincorporated, included in an urbanized area, as defined by the Bureau of the Census as of August 10, 1993;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service, including exchange access, to fewer than 50,000 access lines;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service to any local exchange carrier study area with fewer than 100,000 access lines; or
- ☒ has less than 15% of its access lines in communities of more than 50,000 on the date of enactment of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Feb. 8, 1996).

ALLTEL Carolina, Inc. serves 232,421 access lines as of December 31, 2000 in its study area. As of February 8, 1996, ALLTEL Carolina, Inc. has no access lines in communities of more than 50,000.

ALLTEL Carolina, Inc. has applied for certification as a Rural Telephone Company for purposes of universal service funding to the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

I, Cesar Caballero, hereby certify that the above representations are known to me to be true and correct as of the date of this filing.

Sincerely,

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**Re: Self-Certification of ALLTEL Georgia Communications Corporation as a Rural Telephone Company**

Dear Ms. Todd:

This is to notify the Commission that ALLTEL Georgia Communications Corporation, is a "Rural Telephone Company" under the terms and definition contained in the Communications Act, as amended [47 U.S.C. § 153(37)], as indicated below. This self-certification of rural telephone company status is in response to the directives set forth in the Commission's May 8, 1997, Report and Order, CC Docket 96-45, and the Commission's Tenth Report and Order FCC 99-304 released November 2, 1999.

Specifically, ALLTEL Georgia Communications Corporation meets the following checked criteria:

- ☐ provides common carrier service to any local exchange carrier study area that does not include either –
  - (i) any incorporated place of 10,000 inhabitants or more, or any part thereof, based on the most recently available population statistics of the Bureau of the Census; or
  - (ii) any territory, incorporated or unincorporated, included in an urbanized area, as defined by the Bureau of the Census as of August 10, 1993;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service, including exchange access, to fewer than 50,000 access lines;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service to any local exchange carrier study area with fewer than 100,000 access lines; or
- ☒ has less than 15% of its access lines in communities of more than 50,000 on the date of enactment of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Feb. 8, 1996).

ALLTEL Georgia Communications Corporation serves 338,982 access lines as of December 31, 2000 in its study area. As of February 8, 1996, ALLTEL Georgia Communications Corporation has no access lines in communities of more than 50,000.

ALLTEL Georgia Communications Corporation has applied for certification as a Rural Telephone Company for purposes of universal service funding to the Georgia Public Service Commission.

I, Cesar Caballero, hereby certify that the above representations are known to me to be true and correct as of the date of this filing.

Sincerely,

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**Re: Self-Certification of Western Reserve Telephone Company as a Rural Telephone Company**

Dear Ms. Todd:

This is to notify the Commission that Western Reserve Telephone Company, is a "Rural Telephone Company" under the terms and definition contained in the Communications Act, as amended [47 U.S.C. § 153(37)], as indicated below. This self-certification of rural telephone company status is in response to the directives set forth in the Commission's May 8, 1997, Report and Order, CC Docket 96-45, and the Commission's Tenth Report and Order FCC 99-304 released November 2, 1999.

Specifically, Western Reserve Telephone Company meets the following checked criteria:

- ☐ provides common carrier service to any local exchange carrier study area that does not include either –
  - (i) any incorporated place of 10,000 inhabitants or more, or any part thereof, based on the most recently available population statistics of the Bureau of the Census; or
  - (ii) any territory, incorporated or unincorporated, included in an urbanized area, as defined by the Bureau of the Census as of August 10, 1993;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service, including exchange access, to fewer than 50,000 access lines;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service to any local exchange carrier study area with fewer than 100,000 access lines; or
- ☒ has less than 15% of its access lines in communities of more than 50,000 on the date of enactment of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Feb. 8, 1996).

Western Reserve Telephone Company serves 192,691 access lines as of December 31, 2000 in its study area. As of February 8, 1996, Western Reserve Telephone Company has no access lines in communities of more than 50,000.



Western Reserve Telephone Company has applied for certification as a Rural Telephone Company for purposes of universal service funding to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

I, Cesar Caballero, hereby certify that the above representations are known to me to be true and correct as of the date of this filing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cesar Caballero". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "C" at the beginning and a circular flourish at the end.

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**Re: Self-Certification of ALLTEL Pennsylvania, Inc. as a Rural Telephone Company**

Dear Ms. Todd:

This is to notify the Commission that ALLTEL Pennsylvania, Inc., is a "Rural Telephone Company" under the terms and definition contained in the Communications Act, as amended [47 U.S.C. § 153(37)], as indicated below. This self-certification of rural telephone company status is in response to the directives set forth in the Commission's May 8, 1997, Report and Order, CC Docket 96-45, and the Commission's Tenth Report and Order FCC 99-304 released November 2, 1999.

Specifically, ALLTEL Pennsylvania, Inc. meets the following checked criteria:

- ☐ provides common carrier service to any local exchange carrier study area that does not include either –
  - (i) any incorporated place of 10,000 inhabitants or more, or any part thereof, based on the most recently available population statistics of the Bureau of the Census; or
  - (ii) any territory, incorporated or unincorporated, included in an urbanized area, as defined by the Bureau of the Census as of August 10, 1993;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service, including exchange access, to fewer than 50,000 access lines;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service to any local exchange carrier study area with fewer than 100,000 access lines; or
- ☒ has less than 15% of its access lines in communities of more than 50,000 on the date of enactment of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Feb. 8, 1996).

ALLTEL Pennsylvania, Inc. serves 243,278 access lines as of December 31, 2000 in its study area. As of February 8, 1996, ALLTEL Pennsylvania, Inc. has no access lines in communities of more than 50,000.

ALLTEL Pennsylvania, Inc. has applied for certification as a Rural Telephone Company for purposes of universal service funding to the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission.

I, Cesar Caballero, hereby certify that the above representations are known to me to be true and correct as of the date of this filing.

Sincerely,

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**Re: Self-Certification of ALLTEL New York, Inc. as a Rural Telephone Company**

Dear Ms. Todd:

This is to notify the Commission that ALLTEL New York, Inc., is a "Rural Telephone Company" under the terms and definition contained in the Communications Act, as amended [47 U.S.C. § 153(37)], as indicated below. This self-certification of rural telephone company status is in response to the directives set forth in the Commission's May 8, 1997, Report and Order, CC Docket 96-45, and the Commission's Tenth Report and Order FCC 99-304 released November 2, 1999.

Specifically, ALLTEL New York, Inc. meets the following checked criteria:

- ☐ provides common carrier service to any local exchange carrier study area that does not include either –
  - (i) any incorporated place of 10,000 inhabitants or more, or any part thereof, based on the most recently available population statistics of the Bureau of the Census; or
  - (ii) any territory, incorporated or unincorporated, included in an urbanized area, as defined by the Bureau of the Census as of August 10, 1993;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service, including exchange access, to fewer than 50,000 access lines;
- ☐ provides telephone exchange service to any local exchange carrier study area with fewer than 100,000 access lines; or
- ☒ has less than 15% of its access lines in communities of more than 50,000 on the date of enactment of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Feb. 8, 1996).

ALLTEL New York, Inc. serves 102,982 access lines as of December 31, 2000 in its study area. This total is comprised of 49,869 in its Jamestown study area, 49,541 in its Fulton study area and 2,792 in its Red Jacket study area. As of February 8, 1996, ALLTEL New York, Inc. has no access lines in communities of more than 50,000.

ALLTEL New York, Inc. has applied for certification as a Rural Telephone Company for purposes of universal service funding to the New York Public Service Commission.

I, Cesar Caballero, hereby certify that the above representations are known to me to be true and correct as of the date of this filing.

Sincerely,

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